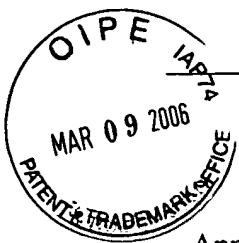


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Dear Sir:

Upon review of our records and any available PAIR record, it appears there has been no action in the above-referenced application since April 15, 2004.

Please inform us as to the status of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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